## Pilgrim Creek Wildland Fire—Blackrock Ranger District October 2nd, 2020



Date of Detection: September 30, 2020

**Current Size:** October 2nd, 80 acres with active and spotting in heavy timber.

**Location:** Northeast of the Pilgrim Creek drainage. South of Wildcat Mountain.

**Closures:** Pilgrim Creek Road and area closure in the Pilgrim Creek drainage (see map)

Fire Cause: Under Investigation

Legal Description: Latitude 43,59.39 N

Longitude 110' 34. 03 W

**Management Strategy:** Point protection strategy with consideration and mitigation methods for wilderness protection involving minimum impact suppression tactics.



As with all wildland fires, public and firefighter safety are the primary management objective when developing management action plans for wildfire strategies. There are no special concerns for communities located to the south and east at this time. The Pilgrim Creek drainage and road are closed to help support public safety in the fire's vicinity. During the initial attack phase on 10/1/2020 the fire did spot ahead of the fire's perimeter requiring firefighters to retreat and re-evaluate tactics. Shorter days and cooler evening temperatures will help to limit the daytime burn period and aid in suppression tactics to some degree. Smoke will be visible throughout Grand Teton National Park and the Teton County region. The Bridger Teton National Forest and Grand Teton National Park are in **HIGH** fire danger and campfires are not allowed outside of the Teton and Gros Ventre Wilderness areas.